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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

**No. 294**

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**Introduced by Assembly Members Lackey and Steinorth**  
**(Coauthors: Assembly Members Olsen and Wilk)**  
(Coauthor: Senator Vidak)

February 12, 2015

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An act to add Part 0.5 (commencing with Section 135) to Division 1 of the Health and Safety Code, and to add Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 3500) to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to health and human services.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 294, as amended, Lackey. Health and human services: state plans: federal waivers: public notice.

Existing law establishes the California Health and Human Services Agency, and includes within that agency, the State Department of Social Services, the Department of Public Health, and the Department of Health Care Services, among other departments.

This bill would require a department within the agency that has received approval of an operational state plan by a federal agency, or that has applied and has been approved for a waiver from a federal law or regulation, to make ~~the approved plan or waiver application~~ *any and all approved plans or waiver applications* available to the public by publishing a hyperlink to that information on the ~~first page~~ *homepage* of the department's Internet Web site.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Part 0.5 (commencing with Section 135) is added  
2 to Division 1 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

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4 PART 0.5. CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
5 AGENCY DEPARTMENTS: PUBLIC NOTICE  
6 REQUIREMENTS  
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8 135. If a department within the California Health and Human  
9 Services Agency has received approval of an operational state plan  
10 by a federal agency, or has applied and has been approved for a  
11 waiver from a federal law or regulation, the department shall make  
12 ~~the approved plan or waiver application~~ *any and all approved*  
13 *plans or waiver applications* available to the public by publishing  
14 a hyperlink to that information on the ~~first page~~ *homepage* of the  
15 department's Internet Web site ~~at the time the department is~~  
16 ~~otherwise updating its Internet Web site.~~

17 SEC. 2. Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 3500) is added  
18 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, to read:

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20 DIVISION 3.5. CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND HUMAN  
21 SERVICES AGENCY DEPARTMENTS: PUBLIC NOTICE  
22 REQUIREMENTS  
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24 3500. If a department within the California Health and Human  
25 Services Agency has received approval of an operational state plan  
26 by a federal agency, or has applied and has been approved for a  
27 waiver from a federal law or regulation, the department shall make  
28 ~~the approved plan or waiver application~~ *any and all approved*  
29 *plans or waiver applications* available to the public by publishing  
30 a hyperlink to that information on the ~~first page~~ *homepage* of the  
31 department's Internet Web site ~~at the time the department is~~  
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